

REMARKS

Claims 1-4 have been canceled to allow prosecution of claims 5-6. No new matter has been added.

It is noted that the claim amendments herein are made only for more particularly pointing out the invention, and not for distinguishing the invention over the prior art, narrowing the claims, or for any statutory requirements of patentability.

Further, it is noted that, notwithstanding any claim amendments made herein, Applicants' intent is to encompass equivalents of all claims elements, even if amended herein or later during prosecution.

With respect to the prior co-pending U.S. application Serial No. 09/772,864, Applicants hereby incorporate the claim of priority from Japanese Application No. P2000-028079, filed on February 4, 2000, and claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.

The prior application was assigned of record to NEC LCD Technologies, Ltd. on April 22, 2003, at Reel 013987 and Frame 0959

Early, favorable prosecution on the merits is respectfully requested.

Please charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

Respectfully submitted,

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